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At the end of World War II, two runways, each about 1,000 meters long, were available at Finow air field. Of the six hangars at the field, three were damaged to various degrees. In 1947, the field had been occupied by two bomber regiments which were equipped with Pe-2s and one of which was transferred in June 1949 because of expansion work on the landing field. In August 1949, the eastwest runway was extended to a length of 2,000 meters. After the remaining bomber regiment had transferred and the field had been reoccupied by two fighter regiments in September 1949, flight control installations and ammunition and fuel dumps were established. In October 1951, the two fighter regiments transferred to the East and two new fighter regiments were activated at the field. During the winter of 1951/1952, aircraft revetments and ammunition bunkers were constructed and the fence around the field was completed. Finow airfield is suitable for MiG-15s and may be used at night and in unfavorable weather conditions.

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